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Little Growth in March Employment

Georgia's nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 6,600 from February to March of this year, the smallest increment from a similar time period since 1975. This gain amounted to only 0.2 percent, less than normal for this time of year and appearing to indicate a slowdown in the booming growth that has characterized Georgia's economy for several years. Nationally, employment increased by 0.7 percent for the same time period.

Government was the largest gainer over the month with increases in both the local and federal sectors. Local growth was scattered, but that in the federal sector was confined almost entirely to seasonal employment in the Internal Revenue Service.

Construction employment rose 1,600 from February, a normal seasonal increase inspired by improved weather conditions. General building was up 600, heavy construction rose 800, and special trades contracting grew by only 200. The latter, being largely indoor work, is less affected by adverse weather conditions than the other construction sectors.

For the past few years, employment in special trades construction has anticipated the general trend by increasing more rapidly between the January and February reference periods. Employment from March 1987 to March 1988 grew by only 600 in the construction industry, seeming to indicate a general slowdown in building.

The entire monthly increase in the trade division occurred in the retail sector and, more specifically, in eating and drinking places. Employment rose by 2,600 in these establishments. It appears that Georgians are following the national trend toward increasing numbers of meals taken outside the home. Greater numbers of multi-earner families have swelled demand for prepared food, especially fast food. One indication of this is the tremendous growth of the breakfast trade in restaurants that did not begin serving before midday until a few years ago.

On the negative side, employment in department stores dropped by 1,800. The majority of the decline can be traced to two large chains. One, which expanded rapidly last year, appears to have over-staffed and is now cutting back to more realistic levels.

Performance in the service industries, long sharing with wholesale and retail trade the distinction of being the fastest-growing sectors of the economy, was surprisingly weak from February to March. Overall, the division recorded an increase of only

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New Developments

Gilman Paper Company officials have announced that its Kraft Bag Division in St. Marys will be sold, closed, or relocated after the company and its employees were unable to resolve a labor dispute. The company, which has been in financial difficulties for several years, according to a spokesman, had requested that union members accept a pay cut. The proposal was rejected. About 225 employees will be affected.

International Paper Company has announced that it will build a $40 million facility in Cordele. A 300,000-square-foot plant will be built, where oriented strand board, a structural panel used in home construction and remodeling, will be produced. To be built on a 90-acre site near Interstate 75, the plant is expected to be in operation sometime next year. About 125 people will be employed.

Seth Thomas, a division of General Time Corporation, will close its plant in Franklin Springs. The company has decided to discontinue the product line manufactured at the North Georgia plant. Some 45 employees will be affected. A company spokesman said that the workers who were in the customer service division will be transferred to the Westclox plant in Athens and the remainder laid off.

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300 and was able to manage that only because of small gains in a number of industry sectors.

Business services, which has grown phenomenally over the past few years, declined by 2,500 from February to March. Because temporary employment services account for more than 20 percent of the total jobs classified as business services, wide swings in employment are not unusual. A random survey of temporary employment services revealed mixed sentiment about the state of their sector. Some said that since October 19, 1987 (Black Tuesday), they had determined that some belt-tightening was in order and that this decision had been borne out by decreased demand for their services. Others indicated that their business had never been better.

Those expressing the latter sentiment generally specialized in supplying highly skilled employees, while firms that experienced declines usually dealt with people with low to nonexistent skills.

The explanation for this anomaly seems to be that some businesses that normally are heavy users of temporary services have cut back, while some others are using temps rather than hire permanent employees, perhaps in anticipation of a slowdown later in the year. By using temporary employees in the short run, they relieve themselves of the costs normally associated with severing a permanent worker.

Manufacturing employment was stagnant from February to March, growing by only 100. Gains in the nondurable goods sector were offset by losses in nondurables.

A decline in transportation equipment was responsible for the only significant loss (1,000) in manufacturing. Seven hundred of that resulted from a cutback in aircraft manufacturing.

The only increase of note occurred in food and kindred products, which rose 700. The gain was scattered throughout the industry.

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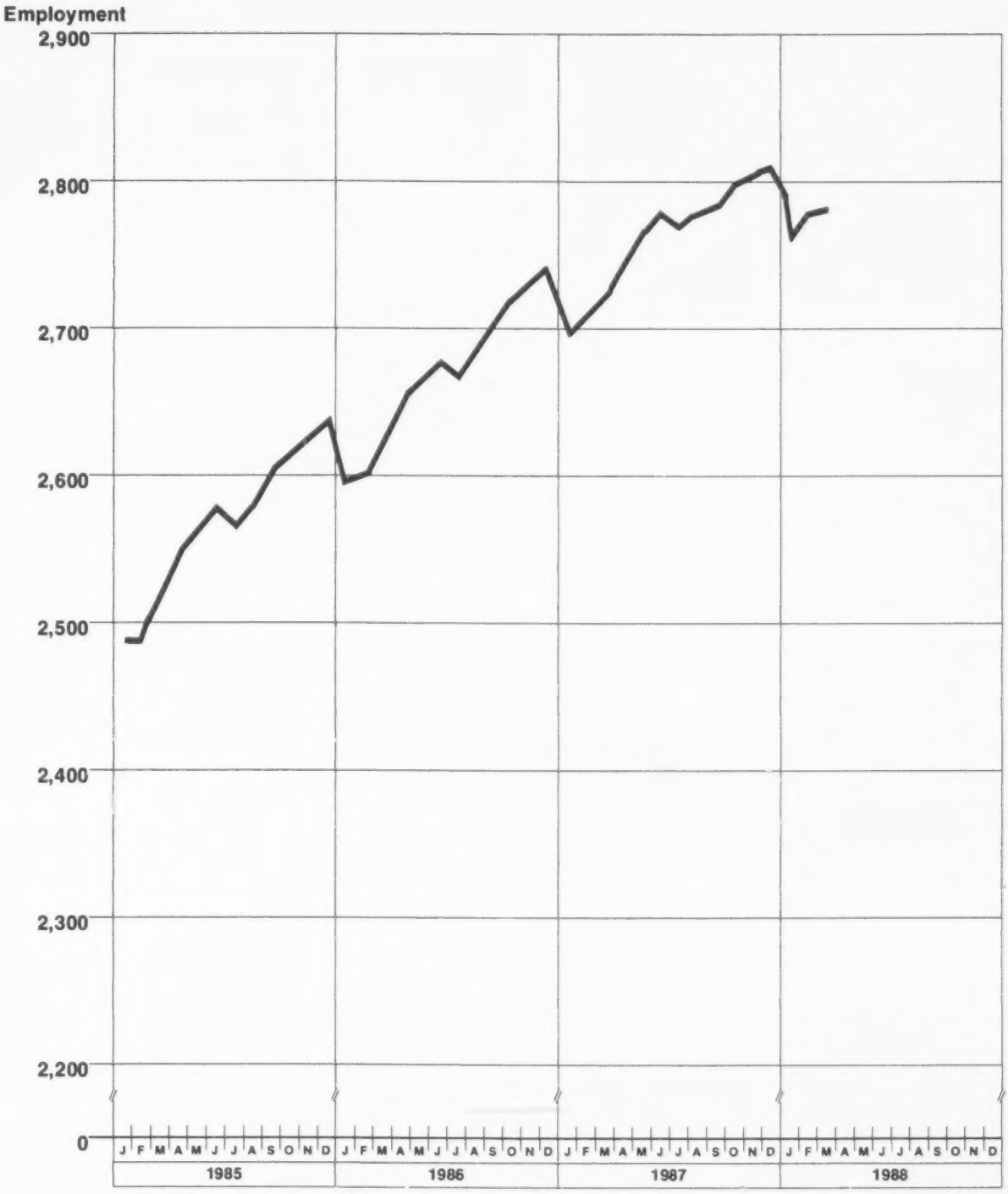
Matsushita Electric Group and **Ultra Technologies,** a subsidiary of Eastman Kodak, have entered into a joint venture to build a battery manufacturing plant in Columbus. A 160,000-square-foot facility will be built on a 54-acre tract in Corporate Ridge Industrial Park. The joint venture will be called Matsushita Ultra Tech Battery Corporation and will manufacture alkaline batteries to be sold under the brand names Panasonic and Kodak. Production is expected to begin early in 1989. At its full staffing, which is expected to be reached in 1991, the company will employ about 400 people.

General Services Administration (GSA) has announced that it will construct the country's largest Federal Supply Service near Palmetto in South Fulton County. The 1.3-million-square-foot building will house supplies and materials for numerous government agencies in the Southeast. It will occupy an 86-acre tract in Palmetto Business Park. About 250 people will work in the warehouse, most of who will be transferred from the Duluth, Georgia, location, which is being replaced. Some 30 new jobs will be created, however.

TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
(In thousands)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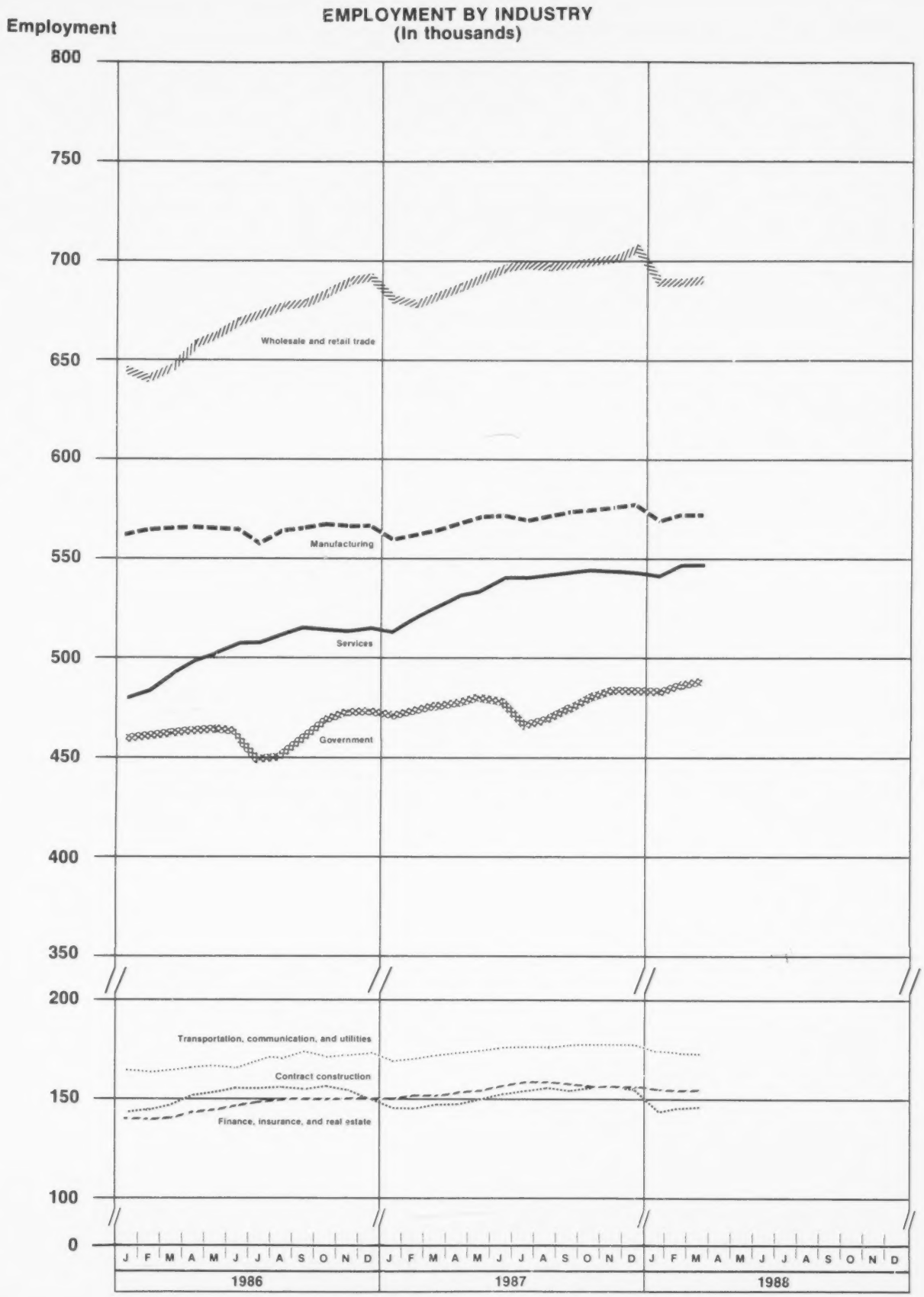
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GEORGIA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	2,783.9	2,777.3	2,725.5	6.6	58.4
Manufacturing	300005	572.8	572.7	563.9	.1	8.9
Durable goods	300025	222.7	223.6	220.5	-.9	2.2
Lumber and wood products	324005	33.5	33.4	33.7	.1	-.2
Logging camps, sawmills, and planing mills	324195	14.1	13.9	14.0	.2	.1
Furniture and fixtures	325005	12.0	12.2	12.0	-.2	.0
Household furniture	325105	6.8	7.0	6.8	-.2	.0
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	20.2	20.1	20.4	.1	-.2
Primary metal industries	333005	16.2	16.3	16.4	-.1	-.2
Fabricated metal products	334005	20.6	20.6	20.3	.0	.3
Machinery, except electrical	335005	27.9	27.8	25.8	.1	2.1
Electric and electronic equipment	336005	29.4	29.6	29.4	-.2	.0
Transportation equipment	337005	50.5	51.5	50.2	-1.0	.3
Other durable goods	399915	12.4	12.4	12.2	.0	.2
Nondurable goods	400015	350.0	349.1	343.4	.9	6.6
Food and kindred products	420005	60.9	60.2	59.3	.7	1.6
Meat products	420105	27.1	26.8	25.1	.3	2.0
Poultry dressing and poultry processing	420185	20.2	20.0	18.5	.2	1.7
Dairy products	420205	3.8	3.7	3.8	.1	.0
Bakery products	420505	9.3	9.0	8.8	.3	.5
Textile mill products	422005	108.2	108.5	106.2	-.3	2.0
Weaving mills, cotton	422105	18.3	18.3	17.5	.0	.8
Weaving mills, synthetic	422205	8.8	8.8	8.7	.0	.1
Knitting mills	422505	8.3	8.5	8.9	-.2	-.6
Floor covering mills	422705	36.1	36.0	34.3	.1	1.8
Yarn and thread mills	422805	20.6	20.6	20.8	.0	-.2
Apparel and other textile products	423005	67.0	66.9	67.2	.1	-.2
Men's and boys' clothing	423175	36.5	36.4	37.1	.1	-.6
Women's and children's clothing	423335	20.1	20.1	20.1	.0	.0
Paper and allied products	426005	31.8	31.7	31.0	.1	.8
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	426135	13.7	13.8	13.3	-.1	.4
Paperboard containers and boxes	426505	7.9	7.9	7.4	.0	.5
Printing and publishing	427005	38.4	38.3	36.9	.1	1.5
Commercial printing	427505	15.1	15.0	14.2	.1	.9
Chemicals and allied products	428005	19.4	19.4	19.1	.0	.3
Agricultural chemicals	428705	1.7	1.8	1.8	-.1	-.1
Leather and leather products	431005	1.6	1.5	1.4	.1	.2
Other nondurable goods	499915	22.7	22.5	22.3	.2	.4
Nonmanufacturing	000060	2,211.1	2,204.6	2,161.7	6.5	49.4
Mining	100005	8.4	8.4	8.4	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	147.7	146.1	147.1	1.6	.6
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	174.7	174.0	171.2	.7	3.5
Transportation	500015	104.7	104.1	102.8	.6	1.9
Communication (except U.S. Postal Service)	548005	43.8	43.7	42.6	.1	1.2
Electric, gas, and sanitary services	549005	26.2	26.2	25.7	.0	.5
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	688.6	687.6	681.0	1.0	7.6
Wholesale trade	650005	199.5	199.5	200.0	.0	-.5
Wholesale trade—durable	650015	129.8	129.8	128.4	.0	1.4
Wholesale trade—nondurable	651005	69.7	69.7	71.5	.0	-1.8
Retail trade	652005	489.1	488.1	481.0	1.0	8.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	155.5	155.3	151.7	.2	3.8
Finance	760025	68.9	68.7	69.4	.2	-.5
Insurance carriers, agents, and brokers	763045	51.1	51.1	49.1	.0	2.0
Real estate	765075	35.6	35.5	33.2	.1	2.4
Services	800005	546.4	546.1	526.4	.3	20.0
Hotels and other lodging places	870005	40.3	40.2	39.1	.1	1.2
Business services	873005	130.4	132.9	127.3	-2.5	3.1
Health services	880005	133.2	132.9	125.9	.3	7.3
Private hospitals	880605	50.2	50.0	46.3	.2	3.9
Government	998008	489.7	487.1	475.8	2.6	13.9
Federal	998011	100.5	99.5	99.1	1.0	1.4
Defense	998101	36.8	36.9	37.7	-.1	-.9
Other federal (including U.S. Postal Service)	998401	63.7	62.6	61.4	1.1	2.3
State	998512	114.3	114.4	111.7	-.1	2.6
State education	882002	48.6	48.5	46.5	.1	2.1
Other state	992972	65.6	65.9	65.2	-.3	.4
Local	998523	275.0	273.2	265.0	1.8	10.0
Local education	882003	144.5	143.8	141.3	.7	3.2
Other local	993973	130.4	129.4	123.6	1.0	6.8

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers throughout Georgia. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

GEORGIA HOURS AND EARNINGS

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
		CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987
Total manufacturing	**300005**	**$356.04**	**$355.68**	**$345.22**	**41.4**	**41.6**	**41.0**	**$ 8.60**	**$ 8.55**	**$ 8.42**
Durable goods	300025	396.68	394.59	395.43	41.8	41.8	41.8	9.49	9.44	9.46
Nondurable goods	400015	331.66	330.79	314.28	41.2	41.4	40.5	8.05	7.99	7.76
SELECTED INDUSTRIES										
Food and kindred products	420005	330.07	329.62	309.29	40.8	41.1	39.4	8.09	8.02	7.85
Textile mill products	422005	317.34	320.78	311.33	42.2	42.6	42.3	7.52	7.53	7.36
Weaving mills, cotton	422105	313.34	315.98	314.20	42.4	42.7	43.7	7.39	7.40	7.19
Weaving mills, synthetic	422205	332.00	339.85	301.89	43.8	44.6	42.4	7.58	7.62	7.12
Knitting mills	422505	262.11	259.49	264.77	40.7	40.8	40.3	6.44	6.36	6.57
Floor covering mills	422705	328.10	337.62	327.56	43.4	44.6	43.5	7.56	7.57	7.53
Yarn and thread mills	422805	300.70	297.47	272.80	40.2	39.4	38.1	7.48	7.55	7.16
Apparel and other textile products	423005	196.26	198.06	183.60	37.1	37.3	36.5	5.29	5.31	5.03
Men's and boys' clothing	423175	193.41	197.10	181.30	36.7	37.4	37.0	5.27	5.27	4.90
Women's and children's clothing	423335	185.74	185.37	167.38	37.6	37.0	34.3	4.94	5.01	4.88
Lumber and wood products	324005	287.24	284.61	315.93	40.4	40.6	40.4	7.11	7.01	7.82
Furniture and fixtures	325005	262.92	270.47	253.71	42.0	43.0	44.2	6.26	6.29	5.74
Paper and allied products	426005	556.20	556.01	519.79	45.0	45.8	44.2	12.36	12.14	11.76
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	426135	653.21	657.05	617.86	47.3	48.1	45.7	13.81	13.66	13.52
Chemicals and allied products	428005	477.84	458.74	478.07	44.0	43.4	43.9	10.86	10.57	10.89
Leather and leather products	431005	186.05	169.92	171.20	38.6	36.7	38.3	4.82	4.63	4.47
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	385.31	386.72	394.80	43.1	43.5	43.1	8.94	8.89	9.16
Fabricated metal products	334005	337.16	342.19	331.27	39.9	40.4	41.1	8.45	8.47	8.06
Electric and electronic equipment	336005	340.17	358.66	342.17	42.1	41.9	42.4	8.08	8.56	8.07
Transportation equipment	337005	587.20	561.43	557.27	43.4	42.5	41.9	13.53	13.21	13.30

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Data exclude supervisory, sales, clerical, and other office personnel. Average earnings are computed on a "gross" basis, reflecting changes in basic hourly and incentive wage rates, as well as any premium pay for overtime and late shift work. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

ATLANTA MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS: PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS: CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	1,380.1	1,376.3	1,350.0	3.8	30.1
Manufacturing	300005	189.8	190.2	187.4	-.4	2.4
Durable goods	300025	97.5	98.3	97.1	-.8	.4
Lumber and wood products	324005	5.0	5.1	5.1	-.1	-.1
Furniture and fixtures	325005	4.2	4.3	4.1	-.1	.1
Household furniture	325105	1.9	2.0	1.8	-.1	.1
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	8.9	9.0	9.4	-.1	-.5
Primary metal industries	333005	6.6	6.7	7.2	-.1	-.6
Fabricated metal products	334005	9.9	9.7	9.3	.2	.6
Machinery, except electrical	335005	11.1	11.1	10.2	0	.9
Electric and electronic equipment	336005	14.7	14.5	14.8	.2	-.1
Transportation equipment	337005	31.5	32.3	31.4	-.8	.1
Other durable goods	399915	5.6	5.6	5.6	0	0
Nondurable goods	400015	92.3	91.9	90.3	.4	2.0
Food and kindred products	420005	21.5	21.3	21.1	.2	.4
Meat products	420105	7.2	7.1	7.2	.1	0
Bakery products	420505	3.5	3.4	3.1	.1	.4
Textile mill products	422005	7.6	7.6	7.4	0	.2
Weaving mills, cotton	422105	2.8	2.8	2.6	0	.2
Yarn and thread mills	422805	1.0	1.0	.9	0	.1
Apparel and other textile products	423005	11.7	11.5	11.8	.2	-.1
Men's and boys' clothing	423175	4.9	4.8	5.2	.1	-.3
Women's and children's clothing	423335	3.2	3.1	3.1	.1	.1
Paper and allied products	426005	9.4	9.5	9.0	-.1	.4
Paperboard containers and boxes	426505	5.0	5.0	4.7	0	.3
Printing and publishing	427005	23.1	23.1	22.6	0	.5
Commercial printing	427505	9.2	9.2	8.9	0	.3
Chemicals and allied products	428005	9.4	9.3	9.1	.1	.3
Other nondurable goods	499915	9.6	9.7	9.3	-.1	.3
Nonmanufacturing	000060	1,190.3	1,186.0	1,162.6	4.3	27.7
Mining	100005	1.4	1.4	1.4	0	0
Contract construction	200005	70.2	69.5	72.0	.7	-1.8
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	117.3	116.2	111.3	1.1	6.0
Transportation	500015	73.4	72.5	70.4	.9	3.0
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	376.2	376.2	373.5	0	2.7
Wholesale trade	650005	130.8	130.8	130.3	0	.5
Wholesale trade—durable	650015	93.2	93.1	91.4	.1	1.8
Wholesale trade—nondurable	651005	37.7	37.7	38.9	0	-1.2
Retail trade	652005	245.4	245.4	243.2	0	2.2
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	98.7	98.4	96.2	.3	2.5
Finance	760025	40.5	40.3	39.9	.2	.6
Insurance carriers, agents, and brokers	763045	34.8	34.9	33.4	-.1	1.4
Services	800005	324.9	324.1	314.9	.8	10.0
Hotels and other lodging places	870005	23.7	23.7	23.7	0	0
Business services	873005	95.0	97.0	93.9	-2.0	1.1
Health services	880005	60.7	60.6	57.3	.1	3.4
Private hospitals	880605	23.4	23.3	21.7	.1	1.7
Government	998008	201.6	200.2	193.2	1.4	8.4
Federal	998011	43.9	43.2	42.0	.7	1.9
Defense	998101	6.0	6.0	6.2	0	-.2
Other federal (including U.S. Postal Service)	998401	37.9	37.2	35.8	.7	2.1
State	998512	40.5	40.6	38.9	-.1	1.6
State education	882002	14.9	15.0	13.5	-.1	1.4
Other state	992972	25.6	25.6	25.3	0	.3
Local	998523	117.1	116.4	112.4	.7	4.7
Local education	882003	58.3	57.9	56.8	.4	1.5
Other local	993973	58.8	58.5	55.6	.3	3.2

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Atlanta MSA, which includes Barrow, Butts, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, Spalding, and Walton counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

ALBANY MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	49.7	49.5	48.7	.2	1.0
Manufacturing	300005	8.1	8.1	8.4	.0	-.3
Durable goods	300025	1.8	1.7	1.9	.1	-.1
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	.7	.7	.9	.0	-.2
Other durable goods	399915	1.1	1.1	1.1	.0	.0
Nondurable goods	400015	6.3	6.3	6.5	.0	-.2
Food and kindred products	420005	1.9	1.9	2.0	.0	-.1
Textile mill products	422005	1.1	1.1	1.0	.0	.1
Chemicals and allied products	428005	.4	.4	.4	.0	.0
Other nondurable goods	499915	2.9	2.9	3.0	.0	-.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	41.6	41.5	40.3	.1	1.3
Mining	100005	*	*	*	*	*
Contract construction	200005	3.0	2.9	2.7	.1	.3
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	2.1	2.1	2.2	.0	-.1
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	12.5	12.6	12.3	-.1	.2
Wholesale trade	650005	3.3	3.3	3.3	.0	.0
Retail trade	652005	9.3	9.3	9.0	.0	.3
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	2.5	2.5	2.3	.0	.2
Services	800005	8.6	8.5	8.1	.1	.5
Government	998008	13.0	12.8	12.7	.2	.3
Federal	998011	3.5	3.5	3.5	.0	.0
State and local	998509	9.5	9.4	9.3	.1	.2

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Albany MSA, which includes Dougherty and Lee counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

* Employment fewer than 100 workers.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

ATHENS MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	63.3	63.1	62.0	.2	1.3
Manufacturing	300005	15.3	15.3	14.9	.0	.4
Durable goods	300025	5.4	5.4	5.3	.0	.1
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	2.6	2.7	2.5	-.1	.1
Other durable goods	399915	2.8	2.8	2.8	.0	.0
Nondurable goods	400015	9.9	9.8	9.6	.1	.3
Food and kindred products	420005	3.6	3.5	3.2	.1	.4
Textile mill products	422005	2.5	2.5	2.7	.0	-.2
Apparel and other textile products	423005	2.4	2.4	2.4	.0	.0
Other nondurable goods	499915	1.4	1.4	1.3	.0	.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	48.0	47.8	47.1	.2	.9
Mining	100005	.2	.2	.2	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	2.3	2.2	2.3	.1	.0
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	1.8	1.8	1.8	.0	.0
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	12.8	12.9	12.8	-.1	.0
Wholesale trade	650005	2.5	2.5	2.4	.0	.1
Retail trade	652005	10.3	10.3	10.4	.0	-.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	1.9	1.9	1.9	.0	.0
Services	800005	9.7	9.7	9.2	.0	.5
Government	998008	19.3	19.2	19.0	.1	.3
Federal	998011	2.0	2.0	2.2	.0	-.2
State and local	998509	17.2	17.2	16.8	.0	.4

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Athens MSA, which includes Clarke, Jackson, Madison, and Oconee counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

AUGUSTA MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	157.7	157.2	154.1	.5	3.6
Manufacturing	300005	36.6	36.4	35.2	.2	1.4
Durable goods	300025	9.4	9.3	9.1	.1	.3
Lumber and wood products	324005	1.2	1.1	1.1	.1	.1
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	3.2	3.1	3.0	.1	.2
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	2.5	2.5	2.3	.0	.2
Other durable goods	399915	2.6	2.6	2.6	.0	.0
Nondurable goods	400015	27.2	27.1	26.1	.1	1.1
Food and kindred products	420005	2.5	2.4	2.2	.1	.3
Textile mill products	422005	5.7	5.7	5.7	.0	.0
Apparel and other textile products	423005	2.8	2.9	2.7	-.1	.1
Printing and publishing	427005	1.6	1.5	1.2	.1	.4
Other nondurable goods	499915	14.5	14.6	14.2	-.1	.3
Nonmanufacturing	000060	121.1	120.8	118.9	.3	2.2
Mining	100005	.5	.5	.5	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	9.6	9.5	8.9	.1	.7
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	5.2	5.2	5.1	.0	.1
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	33.4	33.4	33.0	.0	.4
Wholesale trade	650005	4.9	4.9	4.8	.0	.1
Retail trade	652005	28.5	28.5	28.2	.0	.3
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	6.1	6.0	5.9	.1	.2
Services	800055	32.6	32.5	32.0	.1	.6
Government	998008	33.7	33.7	33.6	.0	.1
Federal	998011	8.3	8.2	8.3	.1	.0
State and local	998509	25.5	25.5	25.3	.0	.2

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Augusta MSA, which includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond counties in Georgia and Aiken County, South Carolina. The estimates include all full-and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

COLUMBUS MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	91.8	91.8	90.8	.0	1.0
Manufacturing	300005	20.0	20.1	20.1	-.1	-.1
Durable goods	300025	5.9	5.9	6.1	.0	-.2
Lumber and wood products	324005	.8	.8	.8	.0	.0
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	.6	.6	.6	.0	.0
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	3.4	3.4	3.7	.0	-.3
Other durable goods	399915	1.0	1.0	1.0	.0	.0
Nondurable goods	400015	14.1	14.2	14.0	-.1	.1
Food and kindred products	420005	3.5	3.4	3.6	.1	-.1
Textile mill products	422005	7.2	7.4	7.1	-.2	.1
Apparel and other textile products	423005	.5	.5	.6	.0	-.1
Printing and publishing	427005	1.3	1.3	1.4	.0	-.1
Other nondurable goods	499915	1.6	1.6	1.4	.0	.2
Nonmanufacturing	000060	71.8	71.7	70.7	.1	1.1
Mining	100005	.1	.1	.1	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	5.2	5.1	4.9	.1	.3
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	3.4	3.5	3.6	-.1	-.2
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	19.7	19.8	19.9	-.1	-.2
Wholesale trade	650005	2.6	2.6	2.7	.0	-.1
Retail trade	652005	17.1	17.2	17.2	-.1	-.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	6.1	6.2	6.1	-.1	.0
Services	800005	16.5	16.4	15.7	.1	.8
Government	998008	20.7	20.7	20.5	.0	.2
Federal	998011	7.2	7.3	7.5	-.1	-.3
State and local	998509	13.5	13.5	13.0	.0	.5

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Columbus MSA, which includes Chattanoochee and Muscogee counties in Georgia and Russell County, Alabama. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

MACON-WARNER ROBINS MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	118.8	118.6	116.6	.2	2.2
Manufacturing	300005	18.1	18.0	18.2	.1	-.1
Durable goods	300025	7.1	7.0	7.0	.1	.1
Lumber and wood products	324005	.5	.4	.4	.1	.1
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	1.1	1.1	1.1	.0	.0
Machinery, except electrical	335005	.5	.5	.4	.0	.1
Other durable goods	399915	5.0	5.0	5.2	.0	-.2
Nondurable goods	400015	11.0	11.0	11.1	.0	-.1
Food and kindred products	420005	1.8	1.8	2.3	.0	-.5
Textile mill products	422005	1.4	1.4	1.4	.0	.0
Apparel and other textile products	423005	1.2	1.2	1.3	.0	-.1
Paper and allied products	426005	2.4	2.4	2.3	.0	.1
Chemicals and allied products	428005	.3	.3	.3	.0	.0
Other nondurable goods	499915	3.9	3.9	3.5	.0	.4
Nonmanufacturing	000060	100.6	100.6	98.4	.0	2.2
Mining	100005	.1	.1	.1	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	4.8	4.7	4.8	.1	.0
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	4.8	4.8	5.0	.0	-.2
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	26.6	26.8	26.1	-.2	.5
Wholesale trade	650005	4.6	4.6	4.6	.0	.0
Retail trade	652005	22.1	22.1	21.5	.0	.6
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	7.7	7.6	7.2	.1	.5
Services	800055	22.8	22.8	21.3	.0	1.5
Government	998008	33.8	33.8	33.8	.0	.0
Federal	998011	17.4	17.5	17.8	-.1	-.4
State and local	998509	16.3	16.2	16.0	.1	.3

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Macon MSA, which includes Bibb, Houston, Jones, and Peach counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

SAVANNAH MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH MAR. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH FEB. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO MAR. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	102.4	102.3	101.3	.1	1.1
Manufacturing	300005	17.0	17.0	16.5	.0	.5
Durable goods	300025	7.9	7.9	7.8	.0	.1
Lumber and wood products, except furniture	324005	1.3	1.3	1.2	.0	.1
Millwork, plywood, and prefabricated structural products	324305	.6	.5	.5	.1	.1
Transportation equipment	337005	4.6	4.7	4.7	-.1	-.1
Other durable goods	399915	2.0	1.9	1.9	.1	.1
Nondurable goods	400015	9.1	9.2	8.7	-.1	.4
Food and kindred products	420005	2.0	2.0	2.0	.0	.0
Paper and allied products	426005	4.5	4.5	4.0	.0	.5
Chemicals and allied products	428005	1.5	1.5	1.4	.0	.1
Petroleum and coal products	429005	.4	.4	.6	.0	-.2
Other nondurable goods	499915	.8	.8	.7	.0	.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	85.4	85.3	84.7	.1	.7
Mining	100005	*	*	*	*	*
Contract construction	200005	6.6	6.7	7.3	-.1	-.7
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	9.3	9.2	9.5	.1	-.2
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	24.8	24.9	24.3	-.1	.5
Wholesale trade	650005	5.0	5.0	5.0	.0	.0
Retail trade	652005	19.9	19.9	19.2	.0	.7
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	4.4	4.4	4.4	.0	.0
Services	800005	24.0	23.8	23.6	.2	.4
Government	998008	16.3	16.2	15.7	.1	.6
Federal	998011	2.8	2.8	2.8	.0	.0
State and local	998509	13.5	13.4	12.9	.1	.6

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Savannah MSA, which includes Chatham and Effingham counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

* Industry division does not meet disclosure criteria.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

UNITED STATES AND GEORGIA LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY MARCH 1988	REVISED FEBRUARY 1988	REVISED MARCH 1987	CHANGE FROM REVISED FEB. 1988	CHANGE FROM REVISED MAR. 1987
United States (Seasonally adjusted)	Civilian labor force	120,903,000	121,348,000	119,222,000	-445,000	1,681,000
	Employed	114,103,000	114,409,000	111,368,000	-306,000	2,735,000
	Unemployed	6,801,000	6,938,000	7,854,000	-137,000	-1,053,000
	Rate	5.6	5.7	6.6	—	—
United States (Not seasonally adjusted)	Civilian labor force	119,957,000	119,942,000	118,353,000	15,000	1,604,000
	Employed	112,867,000	112,460,000	110,229,000	407,000	2,638,000
	Unemployed	7,090,000	7,482,000	8,124,000	-392,000	-1,034,000
	Rate	5.9	6.2	6.9	—	—
Georgia	Civilian labor force	3,066,894	3,057,197	3,012,477	9,697	54,417
	Employed	2,888,228	2,873,662	2,833,041	14,566	55,187
	Unemployed	178,666	183,535	179,436	-4,869	-770
	Rate	5.8	6.0	6.0	—	—
Albany MSA	Civilian labor force	55,818	55,839	55,699	-21	119
	Employed	50,870	50,713	50,152	157	718
	Unemployed	4,948	5,126	5,547	-178	-599
	Rate	8.9	9.2	10.0	—	—
Athens MSA	Civilian labor force	72,136	72,437	71,796	-301	340
	Employed	69,135	68,965	68,151	170	984
	Unemployed	3,001	3,472	3,645	-471	-644
	Rate	4.2	4.8	5.1	—	—
Atlanta MSA	Civilian labor force	1,455,102	1,446,012	1,423,183	9,090	31,919
	Employed	1,383,008	1,372,488	1,354,022	10,520	28,986
	Unemployed	72,094	73,524	69,161	-1,430	2,933
	Rate	5.0	5.1	4.9	—	—
Augusta, Ga.-S.C. MSA	Civilian labor force	178,910	178,162	177,665	748	1,245
	Employed	167,675	166,875	165,988	800	1,687
	Unemployed	11,235	11,287	11,677	-52	-442
	Rate	6.3	6.3	6.6	—	—
Columbus, Ga.-Ala. MSA	Civilian labor force	99,333	99,578	98,963	-245	370
	Employed	92,213	92,457	92,242	-244	-29
	Unemployed	7,120	7,121	6,721	-1	399
	Rate	7.2	7.2	6.8	—	—
Macon-Warner Robins MSA	Civilian labor force	128,341	128,404	126,368	-63	1,973
	Employed	121,133	120,781	119,568	352	1,565
	Unemployed	7,208	7,623	6,800	-415	408
	Rate	5.6	5.9	5.4	—	—
Savannah MSA	Civilian labor force	111,595	110,965	109,459	630	2,136
	Employed	103,665	103,126	102,610	539	1,055
	Unemployed	7,930	7,839	6,849	91	1,081
	Rate	7.1	7.1	6.3	—	—

NOTE: Employment includes nonagricultural wage and salary employment, self-employed, unpaid family and private household workers, and agricultural workers. Persons in labor disputes are counted as employed. The use of unrounded data does not imply that the numbers are exact. Georgia and Metropolitan Statistical Area data have not been seasonally adjusted.

Albany MSA: includes Dougherty and Lee counties.
Athens MSA: includes Clarke, Jackson, Madison, and Oconee counties.
Atlanta MSA: includes Barrow, Butts, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, Spalding, and Walton counties.
Augusta MSA: includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond counties in Georgia and Aiken County, South Carolina.
Columbus MSA: includes Chattahoochee and Muscogee counties in Georgia and Russell County, Alabama.
Macon MSA: includes Bibb, Houston, Jones, and Peach counties.
Savannah MSA: includes Chatham and Effingham counties.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

AUGUSTA MSA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY MARCH 1988	REVISED FEBRUARY 1988	REVISED MARCH 1987	CHANGE FROM REVISED FEB. 1988	CHANGE FROM REVISED MAR. 1987
Augusta, Ga.-S.C. MSA	Civilian labor force	178,910	178,162	177,665	748	1,245
	Employed	167,675	166,875	165,988	800	1,687
	Unemployed	11,235	11,287	11,677	-52	-442
	Rate	6.3	6.3	6.6	—	—
Residing in Georgia	Civilian labor force	119,150	118,491	118,271	659	879
	Employed	111,755	111,260	109,901	495	1,854
	Unemployed	7,395	7,231	8,370	164	-975
	Rate	6.2	6.1	7.1	—	—
Residing in South Carolina	Civilian labor force	59,760	59,671	59,394	89	366
	Employed	55,920	55,615	56,087	305	-167
	Unemployed	3,840	4,056	3,307	-216	533
	Rate	6.4	6.8	5.6	—	—

NOTE: The Augusta Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond counties, Georgia, and Aiken County, South Carolina.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

COLUMBUS MSA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY MARCH 1988	REVISED FEBRUARY 1988	REVISED MARCH 1987	CHANGE FROM REVISED FEB. 1988	CHANGE FROM REVISED MAR. 1987
Columbus, Ga.-Ala. MSA	Civilian labor force	99,333	99,578	98,963	-245	370
	Employed	92,213	92,457	92,242	-244	-29
	Unemployed	7,120	7,121	6,721	-1	399
	Rate	7.2	7.2	6.8	—	—
Residing in Georgia	Civilian labor force	77,628	77,501	76,848	127	780
	Employed	72,050	72,002	71,781	48	269
	Unemployed	5,578	5,499	5,067	79	511
	Rate	7.2	7.1	6.6	—	—
Residing in Alabama	Civilian labor force	21,705	22,077	22,115	-372	-410
	Employed	20,163	20,455	20,461	-292	-298
	Unemployed	1,542	1,622	1,654	-80	-112
	Rate	7.1	7.3	7.5	—	—

NOTE: The Columbus Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Muscogee and Chattahoochee counties, Georgia, and Russell County, Alabama.

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